To: The Legislative Leaders State of CT. Capitol Building April 27, 2022

From: Marcus Mason Maronn

Subject: The John Mason Statue

OBJECTION: I, along with many other historians and scholars vehemently OBJECT To Senator Osten's repeated attempts to remove the Mason statue, and perhaps others, from the State Capitol facade

Basis: False Pretense - Blatant lies and out of context unrealistic exaggerations

Grounds: Based on emotionally charged irrational claims emanating from hate and revenge in the form of character assassination

Factors: At the CPRC Forum last November, Senator Osten's proposal was resoundingly defeated by a 9 to 3 vote

Therefore a budget allocation of \$100,000 dollars is an unnecessary waste

Rationale: The Pequots under Sassacus attempted to annihilate the Colonists and were winning the war for the first 8 months, escalating their murders which necessitated a strong offensive response. Despite being vastly outnumbered, Mason was successful because of his alliance with Uncas and other tribal enemies. Todays Pequots avoid attributing equal blame and their ancestors provocation and unfairly heap all the blame on Mason. Therefore they do not deserve to revise history to suit their abstract notions

Reality: Major John Mason was the preeminent founder of the Conn. Colony and served in many prominent positions for which he rightfully deserves to be honored. That is why his statue is on the Capitol and why it should remain.

Solution: Remove this from the budget and prevent all future related attempts

Warning: Do Not set a dangerous precedent
Do Not allow this historical travesty
DO NOT MESS WITH MASON